

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Canceled).

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 21, wherein the non-interactive user input is selected from the group consisting of a protected switch, a switch, a hotkey, a key combination, and a special-purpose keyboard key.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the known-good configuration comprises hardware configuration.
4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the hardware configuration comprises at least one configuration component selected from the group consisting of address space data, IRQ data, DMA data, DMI data, and plug and play hardware configuration data.
5. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the known-good configuration comprises software configuration.
6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the software configuration comprises at least one configuration component selected from the group consisting of .sys file data, .ini file data, operating system configuration data, Microsoft Windows registry data, and hardware device driver files.
7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 21, wherein storing [[a]] the known-good computer configuration comprises storing an incremental configuration that comprises those changes made to the configuration since a previous stored configuration.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 21, wherein storing [[a]] the known-good configuration comprises storing the configuration on at least one device selected from the group consisting of a hard disk drive, a diskette, a network server, and a hard disk protected area.

Claims 9-16 (Canceled).

17. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim [[16]] 28, wherein the non-interactive user input is selected from the group consisting of a protected switch, a switch, a hotkey, a key combination, and a special-purpose keyboard key.

Claims 18-20 (Canceled).

21. (Currently Amended) ~~The method of claim 20;~~ A method of providing a known-good configuration for a computer, comprising:
storing a known-good computer configuration consisting essentially of at least one of
hardware configuration parameters or software configuration parameters; and
restoring the known-good configuration via non-interactive user input;
receiving an indication that the non-interactive user input has been actuated;
wherein the restoring the known-good configuration is based on said indication,
wherein the restoring the known good configuration is operable without rebooting the computer.

Claims 22-27 (Canceled).

28. (Currently Amended) ~~The machine-readable medium of claim 27;~~ A machine-readable medium with instructions stored thereon, the instructions when executed are operable to cause a computer to:

store a known-good computer configuration consisting essentially of at least one of hardware configuration data or software configuration data; and
restore the known-good configuration via a non-interactive input;
receive an indication that the non-interactive user input has been actuated,
wherein the restoring the known-good configuration is based on said indication,
wherein the known-good configuration is operable without rebooting the computer.

Claims 29-31 (Canceled).

32. (Previously presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 17, wherein the non-interactive user input consists of an actuation of a single switch or key, or a simultaneous key combination of the computer.

33. (Previously presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 17, wherein the non-interactive user input does not require user entry of information or interfacing with a graphical representation to function.

34. Canceled

35. (Currently Amended) ~~The method of claim 10,~~ A method of restoring a known-good configuration on a computer, comprising actuating a non-interactive user input that causes software executing on the computer to restore a known-good configuration consisting essentially of at least one of a hardware configuration data and software configuration data,
wherein the non-interactive user input is selected from the group consisting of a protected switch, a switch, a hotkey, a key combination, and a special-purpose keyboard key,
wherein the known-good configuration is operable without rebooting the computer.

Claim 36 (Canceled)

37. (Currently Amended) ~~The method of claim 36,~~ A method of providing an updated known-good configuration for a computer, comprising:
determining an updated combination configuration consisting essentially of at least one of
software or hardware is a known-good configuration for the computer;
storing the determined known-good updated combination configuration to a known-good
data storage device;
receiving a non-interactive user input for restoration of the computer to a known-good
combination configuration; and
restoring the known-good updated combination configuration upon reception of the non-
interactive user input,
wherein restoration of the known-good updated combination configuration is restored
without rebooting the computer.

Claim 38 (Canceled)

39. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[36]]~~ 37, wherein the non-interactive user input is at least one of a single switch, a key, and a simultaneous key combination.

40. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, where the non interactive user input does not require user entry of information or interface with a graphical user interface.

41. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[36]]~~ 37, wherein a known-good storage device is a hard drive.

Claims 42-49 (Canceled)